

July 8

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Lottie S. Merchant, Georges, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.
Sch. Grayling, via Boston, 256 bbls. salt mackerel.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:

Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.00 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$3.75 for large, \$3.25 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.37 1-2 for large, \$3.00 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.00; medium cod, \$1.62 1-2; all cod caught to the eastward of La-Have bank, \$1.75, medium \$1.37 1-2; cusk, \$1.50 haddock, \$1; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, 70c

Outside sales Georges handline cod, \$4.25 for large and \$3.50 for mediums.

Georges halibut, 10 1-2 cts per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

Bank halibut, 9 cents per lb. for white and 6 cents for gray.

Rips cod, \$4 for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Salt mackerel, \$11 per barrel.

Fresh mackerel, 12 cents each.

Boston.

No arrivals today.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Vesta was at Barrington, N. S., last Monday.

Mackerel Notes.

One trap at Provincetown took 1500 fresh mackerel yesterday.

The mackerel taken on Georges recently are reported to run a little better count to the salted barrel than those taken formerly.

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BAIT FAMINE.

On Nova Scotia Coast from Canso to St. Andrews.

The N. S., Coast Guard, of Thursday says that something like a real bait famine seems to be setting in along all the coast from Canso to St. Andrews. As a consequence, both the bank and shore fleet of vessels, home and foreign, are finding it extremely hard to pursue their voyages. They have already lost much time in calling for bait at stations never failing before, but this season the scarcity prevails everywhere. Sch. W. H. Rider, Capt. Uriah Lyons, was at Yarmouth, last week, more than ten days from Gloucester with part of a supply, mostly eckles obtained at St. Andrews on the way down. Sch. Hazel Oneita, fishing out of Yarmouth was hung up last week for want of bait. On report of herring netted at Tiverton she repaired thither, but secured only a few barrels. The trap at Burn's Point took eight barrels of herring one day last week, and this lot went but a little way.

FINE RECORDS.

Little Sch. Motor Stocked \$4,000 South Netting.

Sch. Grayling Stocks Over \$6100 in 22 Day Seining Trip

One of the high liners of the southern mackerel netting fleet is the little sch. Motor, Capt. Herman Pennington, of this port, which arrived home from her spring season this morning. Since leaving here in April the Motor has stocked the splendid sum of \$4000, and it is doubtful if this was beaten or equalled by any craft in the big fleet of over 100 netters. Of this amount, \$2500 was made in five times to market. For their spring's work, each man of the crew received \$350 for his share of the voyage.

Sch. Grayling, Capt. Reuben Cameron, stocked \$6102, the crew sharing \$148.94, on her recent seining trip. The Grayling was gone but 22 days.

This is one of the very largest stocks and shares made on a single trip this season. Capt. Cameron is following up his fine Cape Shore trip and is now right up with the leaders of the procession in the seining fleet.

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PROBABLY HIT BY AN ICEBERG.

Sch. American Reaches Bay Bulls After a Terrible Experience.

WAS FLITCHING AMID ARCTIC FLOE IN FAR NORTHERN WATERS.

Cut Away Cable, Lost Rudder, Parted Her Bobstays and Lost Both Topmasts and Sustained Other Damage.

DOUBLE MISFORTUNE.

American Fisheries Co. Loses Two Steamers In One Day.

Steamer George W. Humphrey Went Ashore on Brenton Reef.

The American Fishery Company's steamer George W. Humphrey is ashore on Brenson's reef, and may be a total loss. The Humphrey struck on the gully of the reef during Wednesday night.

Capt. James Church, Jr., whistled for assistance, and although the fog was thick, Capt. Kenyon and a volunteer crew from the Brenton reef life-saving station were able to find the steamer. Capt. Church decided that he and his three men would remain aboard until daylight.

The Humphrey struck the rocks bow first, and as she is an old vessel it is thought it will be difficult to save her. She was built at Philadelphia in 1877, and registers 150 tons.

The steamer Mabel Bird which went ashore on Sandy Cove ledges, near Salisbury Beach, Wednesday, will be a total loss. The American Fisheries Co., has thus had the misfortune to lose two streamers in one day.

After what was undoubtedly a terrible experience with an iceberg, sch. American of this port arrived at Bay Bulls, N. F., yesterday in a damaged condition.

The American is engaged in the flitched halibut fishery, and sailed from here in May on her long, hard trip to the cold and frozen waters of Bacallen bank, Labrador coast and Davis strait. It is to these high latitudes that the flitchers go this early in the year, when field ice is most plentiful and icebergs abound in alarmingly large numbers.

Many have been the narrow escapes of our vessels from collisions with these ice monsters, and often have crafts been forced to cut away their whole strings of cable to escape from the death-menacing of the huge ice castles as they came gliding resistlessly and silently along with the strong tide. Sometimes they have been caught in the floe and have even struck bergs.

So when Messrs. John F. Wonson & Co. received a telegram from Bay Bulls yesterday stating that sch. American had arrived there with 200 fathoms of cable gone, bobstays parted, rudder gone and both topmasts gone, even though the message contained no particulars of how it occurred, it told its own story as plainly as additional words could have done, that the vessel had collided with an iceberg in the far northern waters or been roughly handled by a big Arctic ice floe, presumably the former on account of both topmasts being lost.

As very few vessels have ever been struck by icebergs and reached port afterward, the particulars of the accident to the American will be awaited with much interest. Fishermen who have been seen and who have had experience on flitchers among the ice floes of the north say that in their opinion the American must have encountered an iceberg.

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WEEKLY FISH MARKET.

Trade in salt fish continues very quiet and orders are few and not large. There appears to be a fair demand for salt mackerel and the market on them is now firm.

Receipts of fish have been fair and embrace many varieties. Mackerel are in large receipt as are salt cod. Quite a lot of shuck is coming along, mostly hake. Prices on fish ex vessel remain the same, one trip of bank cod bringing the card price, after considerable work. The first of the dory handliners has arrived and brought a fine fare, although news from the fleet indicates that it is not doing as well as last year. The trawl bankers come along very slowly.

The receipts at this port for the week ending July 9 are

402,000 lbs. salt cod.
124,000 lbs. fresh cod.
321,000 lbs. hake.
187,000 lbs. cusk.
1068 bbls. salt mackerel.
150 bbls. fresh mackerel.
27,500 lbs. halibut.
89,000 lbs. haddock.
80 bbls. fresh pogies.
400 qtls. cured fish.
3200 lbs. swordfish.
70 bbls. fresh whiting.
54,000 lbs. salt pollock.
32,000 lbs. haddock.

Salt Fish from Vessel.

	Board of Trade Prices	Outside Sales
Large Georges cod (handline)	4.00	4.00
Medium Georges cod (handline)	3.50	3.50
Large Georges cod (trawl)	3.75	3.75
Medium Georges cod (trawl)	3.25	3.25
Large handline cod from deck caught east of Cape Sable		
Medium do.		
Large trawl bank cod	3.37 1-2	3.37 1-2
Medium trawl bank cod	3.00	3.00
Large dory handline cod		
Medium do.		

Fresh Fish from Vessel.

All large cod caught on La Have bank and to the westward	200.	2.00
Medium do.	1.62 1-2	1.62 1-2
All large cod caught to the eastward of La Have Bank	1.75	1.75
Medium do.	1.37 1-2	1.37 1-2
Cusk	1.50	1.50
Haddock	1.00	1.00
Hake	.90	.90
Pollock	.70	.70

Other Prices from Vessel.

Hake sounds, 3 cts. per lb.
Livers, soft 30 cts. per bucket; hard, 30 cts. per bucket.

Fresh Bank halibut (white) 9 cts. per lb.
Fresh Bank halibut (gray) 6 cts. per lb.
Georges halibut, 10 1-2 cts and 8 cts. per lb. for white and gray.
Rips cod, \$4 per cwt. for large; \$3.30 for medium.

Spring salt mackerel, \$11 to \$11.50 per bbl.

Local Quotations of Cured Fish.

Cured Large Georges cod	\$6.00 per qtl.
Cured Medium Georges cod	5.50
Cured large Bank cod	5.25
Cured Medium Bank cod	4.75
Kench cured large Bank cod	6.00

Kench cured medium Bank cod	57.5
Cured large shore cod	5.50
Cured medium shore cod	5.00
Cured cusk	4.62 1-2
Cured hake	2.50 to 2.75
Cured haddock	3.25
Heavy salted pollock	2.75
English cured pollock	4.00
Large handline bank	5.62 1-2
Medium handline bank	5.37 1-2

Mackerel.

Shore 1s	\$16 to \$17 per bbl.
Shore extra 1s	18 to 19 per bbl.
Shore bloaters	20 per bbl.
Nova Scotias	14 per bbl.
Prince Edward Island	15 per bbl.
Norway bloaters	34 per bbl.
Norway 1s	27 per bbl.
Norway 2s	23 per bbl.
Old Irish	13 per bbl.
New Irish	12.25 per bbl.

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Lanesville traps, 20 bbls. whiting.

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Mackerel Notes.

The netters at Provincetown yesterday had from 200 to 500 mackerel apiece.

Sloop Lear C. of Provincetown stocked \$2900 on her southern netting season and sloop Active of the same port stocked \$2200.

Sch. Samoset of Duxbury Capt. Joseph Sampson of this port, was one of the top notchers of the southern netting fleet, making the remarkable stock of \$4075, the crew sharing \$274. This stock has not been beaten this season by the netters. Capt. Sampson is now fitting his craft for a netting and hooking trip to the North Bay.

Good Stock.

Sch. Volant, Capt. Frank Stream, stocked \$2100 on her recent short fresh fishing trip to Georges, the crew sharing \$64 clear. Capt. Stream, who has made a splendid record this season in the Volant, will now remain ashore until his own new vessel, now nearing completion at Essex, is launched. The new craft is a beauty and Capt. Stream's many friends hope that in her he will, as usual, keep well to the front and roll up big stocks year after year.

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MACKEREL NEWS.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins Has Fine Fare at Boston.

Schs. Smuggler and Monitor Here with Salt Trips.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Ralph Webber, is at Boston this morning from Georges with a fine fare, 154 barrels salt mackerel and 9000 fresh mackerel, the latter being taken on Georges recently. Capt. Webber reports that sch. Faustina made a haul of 100 barrels at the same time and salted. The fresh mackerel sold at 16 cents each.

Sch. Smuggler, Capt. Jerry Cook, is at this port this morning with 185 barrels of salt mackerel taken a week ago Thursday near the South Shoal lightship. Sch. Monitor, Capt. Fred Carritt, is also here with 80 barrels salt mackerel. Capt. Cook reports that the fleet, outside of the Grayling, did not get big hauls on Georges recently.

Many of the skippers say that the mackerel which showed on Georges for one day quickly disappeared, and they believe they will be next found in the Bay of Fundy. Some of the seiners will go that way.

There appears to be quite a lot of small mackerel in Annisquam river and a number were caught Saturday and Sunday. The water bridge seemed to be the best place to fish and some good catches were made there yesterday.

Fresh mackerel are bringing 17 cents each at Boston today.

Sch. Saladin arrived from seining this morning. She has had some trouble with her gasoline engine and is in to fix it.

TOOK HIS BAIT HERF.

And Got Trip While Others Were Still Searching.

Quick Work for Capt. Colson of Sch. Margaret.

Capt. Samuel Colson of sch. Margaret made a good move on the trip just completed. Less than two weeks ago he started to sail, and while the rest of the fleet went to the eastward in search of bait, he took a baiting of bluebacks here and went direct to the fishing grounds of Western Bank, and was back here Saturday afternoon with a good fare of 90,000 pounds of fresh fish, while some of the vessels which went down east have not yet secured a baiting.

Dogfish Plenty.

Capt. Henry M. Atwood of sch. Fanny Belle Atwood and Capt. Wilson Spinney of Arbitrator both report dogfish very plenty off Scatteri. Dogfish were plentiful, but such big fishermed as these two skippers were prevented from getting their usual big trips by these pests, which fairly swarmed and clung to every hook.